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## Cote d'Ivoire Increases Poultry Import Tariff

In its 2005 fiscal policy, the Government of Cote d'Ivoire, in Western Africa, increased the Compensatory tax on poultry meat imports from 300 F CFA (Communaute Financiere Africaine franc) to 1,000 F CFA per kilogram. The exchange range for F CFA is about 519.70 per US dollar. The responsible authority for the Communaute Financiere Africaine franc is the Central Bank of the West African States.

This increase is meant to protect domestic production from imported poultry products. The Compensatory tax was established in 1990 and was originally intended to raise funds to develop domestic production. Other poultry import tariffs such as the Customs duty at 20 percent, and the Statistical tax and Solidarity tax at 1 percent each, remain unchanged.

### Cote d'Ivory Chicken Imports, Selected Countries, in metric tons

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004*
Brazil	20	85	403	3,564	4,135
Canada	75	2	242	388	308
EU	782	884	1508	2625	1059
U.S.	639	561	528	516	512

### Cote d'Ivory Turkey Imports, Selected Countries, in metric tons

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004*
Brazil	106	0	16	1259	1592
EU	1173	1300	2796	3019	706
U.S.	94	94	29	426	76

Source: USDA/FAS

\* totals for partial year, U.S. totals are for entire year

### Cote d'Ivory Poultry Situation, in '000 metric tons

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005(f)
Production	63	65	69	69	70	70
Imports	2.5	2.3	5.8	15.0	15.0	15.0

Source: FAO

The tax increase is expected to be reflected in the domestic market price of poultry as there is no accompanying price mitigation policy. Post sees the government action as a budgetary support measure, rather than as an effort to help expand domestic production.

Source: USDA/FAS, United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization

### Japan: Egg Product Imports, in metric tons

	January 2005	January 2004	January 2003
Dried Egg Yolk	169.2	237.2	235.0
Dried Whole Egg	-	280.2	224.4
Other Yolk	1,916.3	1,268.8	819.5
Liquid Whole	283.2	290.4	292.0
Dried White	989.2	910.7	1,020.5
Other White	-	-	28.3

Source: ALIC, Japan's Ministry of Finance

## Effects of Avian Influenza on Thai Poultry Exports

The last outbreak of avian influenza in Thailand was on April 12, 2005 and on May 4 Thailand declared it was free of the disease. Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) was first reported to the OIE on January 23, 2004. Total chicken output is expected to reach 940,000 metric tons in 2005, compared to 900,000 metric tons in 2004.

Chicken exports are expected to reach 300,000 metric tons in 2005, due to the easing of the HPAI outbreak. In 2003, the year before the outbreak, Thailand exported 624,000 metric tons. Most poultry exports have shifted from raw product to cooked products, since raw poultry meat is banned in major export markets such as Japan and Europe.

### Thai Exports of Poultry and Poultry Products, in metric tons

	January-December		January-March		
HS Code	2003	2004	2003	2004	2005
0207130	127	46	11	5	19
0207140	370,224	26,502	91,674	25,062	158
0207330	549	29	192	26	3
0207360	18,766	522	6,579	535	95
1602320	126,982	174,248	22,033	26,855	53,055

Meat and edible offal, of poultry

0207130 Cuts and offal, fresh or chilled

0207140 Cuts and offal, frozen

0207330 Not cut in pieces, frozen - ducks

0207360 Other, frozen - ducks

1602320 Other prepared or preserved meat, meat offal or blood

In 2004, exports of frozen chicken cuts and offal (0207140) fell 93 percent and frozen duck exports (0207330 and 0207360) dropped 97 percent compared to 2003. Exports of prepared poultry (1602320) rose 37 percent. For the first three months of the 2005, exports of prepared poultry almost doubled compared to 2004 and were 141 percent higher than in 2003.

### Thai Exports of Poultry and Poultry Products, in million Baht

	January-December		January-March		
Poultry	2003	2004	2003	2004	2005
*Raw	26,409	1,879	5,584	1,757	29
Prepared	15,704	20,853	3,936	3,179	5,933

1 Thai Baht = .0253 US Dollars

\*Fresh, chilled, frozen

Raw Thai poultry exports, by value, were 63 percent of exports in 2003, compared to 8 percent in 2004. For the period January - March, raw exports fell from 59 percent in 2003 to 36 percent in 2004 and less than 1 percent in 2005.

Source: United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization, Thai Customs, news wires

**Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade****U.S./Canadian Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Inspection**

W/E 07-May-05 (PRELIMINARY)

**U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending May 07, 2005	Year-To-Date			
TYPE	2005	2004 1/	2005 2/	2004
Liquid	0	152	4,519	2,953
Frozen	0	0	21	0
Dried	0	49	107	236
Total	0	201	4,647	3,189

**U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending May 07, 2005	Year-To-Date			
TYPE	2005	2004 1/	2005 2/	2004
Liquid	37	34	2,414	1,294
Frozen	0	87	327	744
Dried	0	80	340	1,209
Total	37	201	3,081	3,247

**Inspected Shell Eggs****U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

Week Ending May 07, 2005	Year-To-Date			
TYPE	2005	2004 1/	2005 2/	2004
Jumbo	0	33	33	83
Extra Large	0	3,647	24,920	15,395
Large	0	7,870	60,118	37,383
Medium	0	2,790	22,830	22,860
Ungraded	0	15,216	38,690	90,775
Misc	0	30	4,093	10,490
Total	0	29,586	150,684	176,986

1/ Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

2/ Includes revisions to previous week(s).

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch.

**U.S. Fowl Slaughtered Domestically**

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
-----Thousands-----			
Head	1,604	1,485	3,089
Last Week	1,715	1,437	3,152
Same week yr ago	1,328	1,354	2,682
To-date/2005	27,699	24,211	51,910
To-date/2004	23,385	22,959	46,344

**U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada**

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
-----Thousands-----			
Head	216	8	224
Last Week	289	0	289
Same week yr ago	163	0	163
To-date/2005	5,160	26	5,186
To-date/2004	4,357	52	4,409

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

**Total U.S. Fowl slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada**

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
-----Thousands-----			
Head	1,820	1,493	3,313
Last Week	2,004	1,437	3,441
Same week yr ago	1,491	1,354	2,845
To-date/2005	32,859	24,237	57,096
To-date/2004	27,742	23,011	50,753

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch

**CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

May 13, 2005

**CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED**

--- PRICES ---		---- VOLUME ----		
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	26.00	81,600	-
WTD AVERAGE		26.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	24.00-26.50	19.00-26.00	2,091,600	324,800
WTD AVERAGE	25.33	21.23		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

**EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

May 13, 2005

**CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED**

--- PRICES ---		---- VOLUME ----		
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	23.00	23.00-27.00	328,000	208,000
WTD AVERAGE	23.00	25.67		
15-20%				
RANGE	23.50-30.00	24.00-27.00	1,724,000	884,000
WTD AVERAGE	26.36	25.26		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 13 MAY 2005.**

The market tone on tom drums and necks was fully steady to firm, tom 2-joint wings steady to barely steady and tom full-cut wings steady to instance weak. Demand good on tom drums and necks and light to instances moderate on wings. Offerings of tom drums and necks extremely light to short of buyers' needs, tom 2-joint wings light to instances fully adequate and tom full-cut wings adequate to ample. Some spot strength was noted on frozen tom breast meat, -60 days age with significant freight included. Frozen thigh meat for domestic shipments traded at significant lower levels due to inventory clean-up. Trading was active with activity centered on dark items for export and fresh mechanically separated and tom full-cut wings for domestic shipments. For domestic: livers 27, fresh scapula 111-112, plant grade basted 20-24 lb. breasts 143 cents delivered. For export: fresh thigh meat 82-87 mostly 83-84 cents delivered.

<b>EXPORT TRADING</b>	<b>PRICE</b>	<b>L.S.T.</b>	<b>WTD AVG</b>	<b>VOLUME</b>	<b>WEEKLY</b>	<b>WEEKLY</b>
<b>FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2005</b>	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>CODE 1/</b>	<b>PRICE</b>	<b>(000)</b>	<b>PRICE</b>	<b>(000)</b>
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	43.00-46.00		45.19	392	44.72	620
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	25.00-28.00		25.67	134	26.48	342
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM						
TAILS	27.00		27.00	80	26.83	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	35.00	156	35.00	156
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	82.00-85.00		83.47	392	81.58	1072

<b>EXPORT TRADING</b>	<b>PRICE</b>	<b>L.S.T.</b>	<b>WTD AVG</b>	<b>VOLUME</b>
<b>THURSDAY, MAY 12, 2005</b>	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>CODE 1/</b>	<b>PRICE</b>	<b>(000)</b>
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	43.00		43.00	20
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	25.00-29.00		27.00	208
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		T	26.50	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	35.00	156
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	75.00-83.00		79.26	456

<b>EXPORT TRADING</b>	<b>PRICE</b>	<b>L.S.T.</b>	<b>WTD AVG</b>	<b>VOLUME</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2005</b>	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>CODE 1/</b>	<b>PRICE</b>	<b>(000)</b>
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		M	44.00	208
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	27.75	416
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		T	26.50	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	35.00		35.00	156
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	83.00-84.00		83.57	92

<b>EXPORT TRADING</b>	<b>PRICE</b>	<b>L.S.T.</b>	<b>WTD AVG</b>	<b>VOLUME</b>
<b>TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2005</b>	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>CODE 1/</b>	<b>PRICE</b>	<b>(000)</b>
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		M	44.00	208
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	27.75	416
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS	26.50		26.50	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	82.00-83.50		82.59	132

<b>EXPORT TRADING</b>	<b>PRICE</b>	<b>L.S.T.</b>	<b>WTD AVG</b>	<b>VOLUME</b>
<b>MONDAY, MAY 09, 2005</b>	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>CODE 1/</b>	<b>PRICE</b>	<b>(000)</b>
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	44.00		44.00	208
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	27.75	416
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		T	27.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		M	34.00	320
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	83.00	416

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Product contains 15-20% fat with skin added.